REMARKS

Claims 1-26 were presented for examination and are pending. Claims 1-17, 21 and 23-26 are rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The 35 U.S.C. § 103 Rejections

Claims 1-26 are rejected as being unpatentable over Fajardo et al. in view of Krupke.

It is noted that claims 18-20 and 22 are indicated as allowable. The rejection of claim 1 should be withdrawn because it has been amended to include the limitations of claim 18, which has been canceled. Claims 24-26 have also been canceled. The rejection of claims 2-17 and 19-23 should be withdrawn because they depend from claim 1. Therefore the rejection should be withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicates that claims 18-20 and 22 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. As discussed above, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 18. Therefore the objection should be withdrawn.

Conclusions

Dated: February 9, 2006

It is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance based on claims 1-17 and 19-23 in view of the amendments thereto and the foregoing comments.

If any impediments remain to prompt allowance of the case, please contact the undersigned at 808-875-0012.

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